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SUBJECT: WTO - EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY PLANS

REFS: GENEVA 7177 AND PROHME-GRIP TELCON

1. PLEASED LONATI FINALLY ENGAGED, EVEN AT THIS LATE DATE, IN DISCUSSING HOSTSHIP ARRANGEMENTS WITH GOS FOR FIRST WTO ASSEMBLY. BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS BE AGREED, OR REASONS FOR CONVENING FIRST ASSEMBLY ELSEWHERE THAN GENEVA, DESPITE STATUTORY PROVISIONS, COULD BE MADE TO APPEAR OVERWHELMING.

2. SHARED FUNDING BY ALL PARTICIPANTS OF EXPENSES OF HOLDING SUBSEQUENT EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH NEW ORGANIZATION MUST HOLD MEETING BEFORE BUDGET ADOPTED. WOULD ASSUME SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS ADOPTED AT FIRST ASSEMBLY WOULD APPLY. BELIEVE LONATI SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO PURSUE THIS IDEA, INCLUDING PROSPECTS FOR SWISS LOAN TO BE REPAYED AFTER ASSESSMENTS RECEIVED FROM PARTICIPANTS, ALL OF WHICH WOULD NEED APPROVAL OF FIRST ASSEMBLY. IF THIS IDEA WELL DEVELOPED BY TIME OF FIRST ASSEMBLY, IT WOULD SERVE AS IMPORTANT COUNTER, OF COURSE, TO PRESSURES

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